THE CHRISTMAS SNOW.

THE FIRST STORM OF THE SEASON. WINTRY WRATHER EATLIER THAN USUAL-A HEAVY

SNOW-FALL ENDING IN RAIN. All Saturday afternoon, in spite of appreciable modifications of the temperature and occasional glimpses of sunlight, there were threatenings in the clouds and atmosphere of the heavy snow storm which prevailed all day yesterday. Rain fell at midnight and then the thermometer fell and a cold

wind sprang up. The snow began falling about 5 o'clock on Sunday morning, in unusually large flakes. The temperature was so singularly mild that the snow, even as it fell, was moist and sticky, and flakes touching one another seemed to adhere, and thus the large flakes appeared to be formed. The soft character of the snow caused large accumulations on telegraph wires and ropes stretched across the streets for the hanging of banners, and in consequence many wires and ropes were broken with the weight. Ouce on the ground, the snow was rendered even more moist by the warmth of the earth, although it did not melt by any means as rapidly as it fell. But in the more frequented streets the treading of many feet soon reduced the snow on the sidewalks and car routes to a soft slush, which made travel difficult and disagreeable. From the roofs of houses ran constant streams of water formed by the melting snow, thus undermining the heavy accumulations on the roofs and causing frequent but not dangerous avalanches. The storm was unaccompanied by wind, and the flakes fell through the air in almost perpendicular lines. The absence of wind also permitted large accumulations of snow on the branches of trees, thus giving them a most picturesque appearance, the black limbs in most instances being nearly hidden from view, the adhesive character of the snow causing it to form almost all around the limbs. From these limbs large lumps of snow separated from the rest by their constantly growing weight, occasionally fell, like ripe fruit

from its stem, with a heavy thud to the ground. The pleasant weather which this storm interrupted had been so continuous that many persons were under the impression that Winter was late in setting in, and fears were expressed that as a consequence a late Spring would follow. But a comparison of dates shows that Winter this year has been unusually prompt in coming. Two years ago the first heavy snow-fall was on the day after Christmas; and last year the only storm approaching the present one in severity occurred on Dec. 23 and the snow lay on the ground only a short time. That of 1872 was severer than the present storm, and good sleighing followed for several days.

THE CITY IN DANGER.

PELEGRAPHIC - COMMUNICATION INTERRUPTED THROUGHOUT THE ISLAND-PRECAUTIONS, TAKEN AGAINST FIRES-SPREET PATROLS ESTABLISHED AND THE BELL-TOWERS CALLED INTO USE.

The weight of snow accumulating on the elegraph wires, proved by about 11 o'clock to be too severe a strain, and throughout the city the wires began breaking under the continuous pressure. In many in-stances, especially where a great number of wires were attached to the same poles, the combined weight of snow upon them sufficed to pull down the poles, and on Broadway, the Bowery, and other main thoroughfares where numerous lines were extended, leaning or fallen poles were visible in every third or fourth block. In some instances the wires were deflected so low that they obstructed the passage of street cars, and had to be cut or hoisted on improvised aprights to permit the passage of vehicles. In Chathamst. this blockade of vehicles lasted for some time, and was finally remedied only by the forcible lowering of the wires to a level with the track, when the cars were driven over them. Wires also lay frequently along the gutters, a few feet above the sillowalk, and tripped up the unwary passengers in their attempts to cross the street. Communication by telegraph throughout the city was consequently cut off, and the Free and Police Departments were compelled to take extraordinary measures to resume their broken connections with the engine houses and police stations. The wires of the Western Union Company suffered in a similar manner, one broken wire in many cases lying across those that were uninjured, and thus destroying their insulation. Men were set at work repairing the damage as quick as pass ble, but as it was Sunday and as the weather was so very inclement, it was impossible to secure all the labor that was needed. The general damage can hardly be estimated, but the loss by broken poles and wires alone will probably amount to 100,000. A great number of awnings were also crushed in by the weight of snow, in some cases incumbering the side walk until the police could muster force enough to move them.

tres to avoid the difficulty that was presented by the aterruption of telegraphic communication. As early is noon it was known that the wires were breaking in all directions, and messengers from the various battallons continued from that time up to nightfall to appear at Firemen's Hall with similar reports. By 2 velock in the afternoon, Mr. Emerick, Superintendent of the Fire Alarm Telegraph, reported that in case an liarm were sent out, hardly half the companies would get it. Where wires were not actually proken, they were crossed by other fallen wires or by fatien poles, and communication was therefore impossible, even over wires that were not otherwise defeetive. A hundred breaks had been reported at that time in the 60 circuits of telegraph wire which range in all directions from Fifty-ninth-st. south to the Battery. and at least 20 telegraph poles were down. Communi eation was impossible by the southern and northern circuits, and was very uncertain by the others, while the special wires which connect with the bell-towers, by ans of which it has been the rule hitherto in similar emergencies to pass the ainrm, were broken in several places. The Chief of the Department, Eli Bates, became sware early from a casual view of the snow-storm at his own home, No. 184 Attorney-st., that the safety of the city was endangered, and he posted in haste to the Fire Headquarters in Mercer-st. He at once issued the

I. Chiefs of Battalions from 1 to 8 will immediately on receipt of this order establish street patrols in each company in their respective battalions as follows: Two men during the day and four men during the mint, excepting those companies baying charge of bell towers, which will furnish one man as street patrol during the day and two at night. In case of discovery of fire they will communicate the alarm to the nearest company, the commanding officer of which will immediately dispatch a messenger to every other company doing duty is that vicinity.

II. Attleaves of absence are revoked except in cases at sickness or death in the family) until otherwise stricted.

Fitty-ninth-st. By order of Chief of Department.

The "battalions from 1 to 8," referred to in the order, include the 45 companies which cover that portion of the city lying south of Pifty-ninth-st., there being only ten companies altozether covering the vast district north of Fifty-ninth-st., including Yorkville, Har. iem, Manhattanville, Washington Hights, and the newly-annexed territory in Westchester. These latter districts have always been patrolled, as directed for the lower districts in the above order, and the two belltowers within their limits, the Mount Morris Tower in Hariem, and the one in Westehester, have always been rung in case of tires. It was therefore unnecessary to

include them in the order. There is no bell-tower between Thirty-third-st. and One-hundred-and-twenty-fifth-st., and the densely populated district lying between those two streets must consequently remain uncovered by the Fire Department. Chief Bates parily remedled the evil yesterday by directing that patrois on horseback, using the spare

by directing that patrols on horseback, using the spare horses, should make regular rounds during the night through the district.

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man was posted. Some of the precincts on the line of the more important our routes were left to avail them-selves of that means of transit, and all were instructed to have the patrolmen keep a strict lookout for fires. As the police wires are on the same poles with the Western Union and Fire Alarm Telegraph, the damage sustained by the folice D-partment can hardly be esti-mated. It is supposed that it will not exceed \$5,000. The night electrician at the Western Umon Central office told a Tamunk reporter that ac great loss had been sustained. A good many wires were down in different parts of the city from the weight of the snow. The pre-cise number could not be estimated, as no reports had

STREET RAILROADS NOT BLOCKED. THE DEMANDS OF TRAVELERS SUPPLIED WITH ONLY

HALF THE USUAL NUMBER OF CARS-TEAMS DOUBLED UP AND SNOW-PLOWS EXTENSIVELY

USED. The East Side street railroads were delayed little in the morning, but the teams were soon "doubled up," and with four borses to each car the trips were soon made on time. Only half the usual number of cars were run on each road, and these carried a fair complement of passengers. It being the first snow of the season, there were the usual delays and hinder ances in putting the snow-plows and sweepers in good working order, but early in the afternoon the Third Avenue Railroad s eam sweeper was in full operation. The Fourth Avenue Railroad, the Avenue B line, and other East Side and cross-town railroads cleared their tracks with the snow-plows. The snow was soft and soggy and vielded readily to the plows and sweepers. The snow-storm setting in on Sunday was a further advantage to the roads in removing the snow, as there were no carts or vehicles to obstruct the track or to interfere with the travel. Ordinarily a heavy fail of snow materially affects the receipts of the railroads, and the present snow-storm was no exception to the rule. The travel, however, was greater yes terday on account of the near approach of the Christmas holidays. In several churches there were exercises peculiar to the season, which deeply interested the congregations. The cars accordingly were used for short Many Sunday-school children were also obliged to be present at the session yesterday after noon in order to get their tickets of admission to the Christmas festivals. The Third and Fourth Avenue Railroads carried a great many of these children going to and returning from schools. It was believed by the conductors and agents of the East Side roads that there was a failing off from the usual receipts on Sandays at this time of year of about 60 per cent in fares of passengers, and a very serious loss to the companies in injuries to horses and the general extra wear and tear on cars. harness, and other property of the roads.

On the West Side travel was scarcely impeded at all though the various lines of street cars withdrew upward of one-half of their vehicles. In every case the large revolving brooms were found to be absolutely useles on account of the great weight of the snow, and they were withdrawn after fruitiess efforts. It was found that the brooms would not revolve, and that in conse at the horses and impeding the progress of the sweep ers and the ears behind. The Hudson River Rahroad fastened one of these in front of a dummy engine, and started to clear the way through the thoroughfares in which their tracks are laid, but after a very short distance the sweeper rode up on the summit of the drift created by it, and the wheels of the engine, revolved helpiessly on the slippery tracks. The effort was abandoned, and plows adopted as the only successful implement for clearing the roadway.

On the Eighth Avenue line, the storm compelled the withdrawal of one-half the cars about noon, Until that time the conveyances were all running, each drawn by the usual number of horses. The number of passengers steadily diminished until noon, and half the regular number of cars was found to be fully sufficient to accommodate the passengers. Two drivers-one at the brakes and one at the lines -- and two extra horses were

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The Sixth Avenue line began to withdraw their cars.

Every alternate car The Sixth Avenue line began to withdraw their cars at about 11 o'clock in the forencen. Every alternate car that entered the depot was taken off, the extra horses and drivers were put on the remaining cars, and travel was continued. About one-third of the usual patronage was received, only a few ladies being among the passengers. One of the car-starters said: "There's no good running cars when the women don't come out?" One snow-plow, kept in constant use, was found to be sufficient to keep the traces in a passable state. The snow was so soft that little trouble was experienced in keeping the whiches on the track. The cars were very cles on the track. The cars were very

ompt in regard to this, each reporting at the office of this a minute of the regular time.

The Seventh Avenue and Broadway lines began to double up" about 10:39 a. m. All the cars were on me, and the tracks were kept free from impediment.

time, and the tracks were kept free from impediment. One plow was used on each line, and a large gang of men were employed in shovehing away the snow. The patronage was reported to be about one-half as large as it usually is on Sanday.

The Ninth Avenue line only started eight cars, their usual number being 2). The first car started at 8 a. m., equipped with four horses, two drivers and a conductor. A car left the depot every 15 minutes thereafter. None ventured above the depot at Fifty-fourte-st. Three plows and 20 men were employed in clearing the tracks.

The Belt line began reducing the number of ventures at 215 a. m., and in about an hour only one-half the usual number was running. Twenty cars started each way from the depot after the reduction began. One plow was used on each track. These were assisted by about 50 men.

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EFFORTS TO CLEAR THE STREETS. SIX HUNDRED MEN TO BE EMPLOYED ON THE CROSS WALKS AND CULVERTS.

Police Commissioner Disbecker, as Chairman of the Street-Cleaning Bureau of the Police Board, began early to take measures for clearing away the snow, or at least for cleaning the street cross-walks and keeping the culverts open for the escape of water from the street gutters. There has been no appropria tion for the removal of snow and ice this Winter, and the Police Board will not undertake the task of cleaning the streets completely The arrangements made yesterday by Commissioner Disbecker, after consultation with Inspector Thorne and Deputy Superintendent O'Brien of the Street-Cleaning Deputy Superintendent O'Brien of the Street-Cleaning Bureau, were very thorough. Each foreman of a street gang was sent for by mounted messengers, and directed to employ all the men he could find, put them at work by 6 o'clock this morning, and keep them steadily at work until every cross-walk in the chief streets of his district had been shoveled clean. They were also directed to shovel away the snow incumbering the culverts, and to open the gutters where the free passage of water appeared likely to be obstructed. From the statements of the foremen who appeared, they will have about six hundred men at work by daybreak this morning.

LODGINGS OUT OF THE SNOW. THE CELLARWAYS AND ALLEYS EMPTIED AND THE STATION-HOUSES FILLED-THE NEED OF A SYS TEM OF LÖDGING-HOUSES ILLUSTRATED.

The snow-storm of yesterday had the effect of filling all the available lodging-houses last night.
One day like yesterday was enough to empty the cellarways, the alleys, boxes, hogsheads, and other retreats where the unfortunate flud a night's rest in milder weather. The few cold nights of the season had failed to effect a change of lodging, but none that could get under a roof, however uninviting, were disposed

each, are usually well filled, and could admit only a fer dditional occupants last night. The scattering lodging houses for women were all appropriated. The provision for destitute and homeless children is much in advance of what is made for adults. The lodging-houses of the Children's aid Society, which in ordinary weather have two-thirds of their beds in use, welcomed their full quota last night. The newsboys, boothacks, &c., in the lower part of the city, left few of the 400 beds vacant at the Newsboys' Lodging-house. The corner of Duanc and New Chambers-sis, and the baths were doing their full service until the hour of retiring. The several children's institutions about the Five Points, which have room for few transient lodgers, were tested to their fullest extent, giving accommodation to all they were able. In spite of all the kindness that was shown the unfortunates last night, too little was done to provide smirable lodgings, and the snow-storm was the means of revealing the chief lack of charily in this city—that of a regular system of lodging-houses.

The serreants in chirge of the Twenty-second Precinct Station stated that the lodgers there were mostly young men from other Spics who had come to this city song employment. Noarly all were decent materspectate in appearance. He knew of some cases where the Poormasters in certain towns in adjoining States han passed young men from town to town, paying their fare by the railroad, in order to get them to this city and thus relieve the towns of the burden. houses for women were all appropriated. The provision

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THREE CHILDREN DROWNED THEY BREAK THROUGH THE ICE UNSEEN, AND ARE

FOUND DEAD SEVERAL HOURS AFTERWARD. A terrible drowning calamity occurred at a place called Browertown, N. J., three miles from Paterson, on Saturday evening last. Three children of Eliza Vreeland-Kate, Ellen, and John, aged respectively 8, 7, and 6 years-were left in the charge of an old man of 60, named Thomas More, while their mother went to Pater son to do some marketing. The house is situated on the edge of the Morris Canal, which was firmly frozen, the ce being about two maches thick. The children insisted on going out to play on the ice They had been absent two or three hours, when More They had been absent two or three noirs, when more suspecting some wrong, alarmed some of the neighbor, and every house for nearly half a mile around was searched, but without flanting any trace of the children. At length the canal was examined. A young man named Lambert dived down and found the two girls locked in each other's arms, and the bay was found near.

GOVERNMENT WEATHER REPORT.

OFFICE OF THE CHEF SUNAL OFFICER,

WASHINGTON, D. C., Monday, Dec. 21, 1874—1 a. in.

Sunousis for the sust twenty-four hours.

The barometer is low off the Muddle Atlan-

The barometer is low off the Middle Attantic coast and in Minuesota; rain and show have prevailed in New-Eucland and the Middle States, with brisk and high north-east to north-west winds. Clear or clearing weather prevails in the Southern States east of the Mississippi Biver, with north or west winds and increased pressure. Generally cloudy weather has prevailed, with lower temperature and increased pressure, in the lower lake region and near Like Haron. Clear or fair weathersprevails in the upper lake region and the North-West, with southerly winds and no decided change in temperature.

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The rivers have fallen at Vicksburg and New-Orleans and risen at Nashville and Sureveport.

Probabilities.

For New-England, snow ionowed by clearing and colder weather, brisk north-east or north-west winds, and rising barometer.

For the Middle States, clearing and colder weather with north or west winds and rising barometer.

For the South Atlantic States, generally clear and cool weather with north or west winds and rising barometer.

For the Gulf States, generally clear weather, northerly

Borometer.

For the Gulf States, generally clear weather, northerly winds, shifting to easterly and southerly, slight 11-0 of temperature and steady falling borometer.

For Tennessee and the O.30 Valley, partly cloudy weather, low but rising temperature, south of weakwinds, and falling borometer.

For the Lower Like region, partly cloudy and cold weather with northerly winds, becoming variable in the afternoon, and rising followed by onting barom-ter.

For the upper lake region and the North-West increased cloudness, rising temperature, south it was the value and falling barometer cast of the Mississippi Valley and near Like Michigan.

The Curabertand and upper Olio rivers, the rivers of Pennsylvania and Virguint, will rise during Monday.

Continuary signals continue at Cape Hatterns, Cape Henry, Norfolk, Baltimore, Cape May, Pock's Beach, Atlantic City, Barnegat, Squan Beach, Long Branca, Sandy Hook, New York, New-Haven, New-London, Woods's Hole, Boston, Portland, Eistport, Rochester, and Osinego.

NO TRACE OF CHARLEY ROSS.

FRUITLESS SEARCH OF SUPERINTENDENT WALLING AND THE DETECTIVES-THE OFFICERS STILL HOPEFUL -THE QUESTION OF THE REWARD.

Superintendent Walling directed his attention on Saturday chiefly to the clew offered by the fluding of the body of a boy drowned in Newark Bay on Nov. 17. Considerable interest attached to this circum stance from the fact that Most rand Douglass had cruised frequently in the waters about Newark; that a susplatous eat rigged vessel, answering to the description of the one which they left at Bay Ridge, had been seen in the neighborhood about the time of the discovery of this child's body, and that the body itself, although almost richly dressed and apparently that of a child of parents in good circumstances, had never been claimed or advertised for. These were indications sufficient to direct development of the facts connected with the finding of the body. An oysterman first discovered the body while dredging for oysters. He was found on Saturday and brought before the Superintendent. In reply to inquiries, he said that the child was apparently three or four years old, that his hair was cut very short, but he could remember no other particulars about him. A picture of the missing boy was shown him, and he was very positive that it did not rescuble the drowned child, but the Superintendent was not satisfied, and gave him the picture, with the request that be compare opinions on the subject with others who also saw the child's body. The Superintendent also dispatched detectives to Newark to make inquiry of the Coroner and other officials who had

inquiry of the Coroner and other officials who had viewed the body of the dead child. The detectives returned yesterday from the prosecution of their inquiries in the neighborhood of Newark, convinced that the drowned child was not Charley Ross.

All hope of recovering Charley Ross alive has not yet been lost by the Superintendent. He still sends out detectives upon every reasonable clew, and patiently reads sit the letters that are sent him. He took occasion to declare yesterday that in view of the fact that some doubt exists as to whether persons who now produce Charley Ross are entitled to any reward, he will personally guarantee the payment of \$5.00 to any one who will produce the child alive, and so far as his personal interposition with the Governor of the State will secure that object, he will guarantee immunity from punishment.

HOLIDAY ATTRACTIONS AT BARNUM'S.

Mr. Barnum is nothing if not magnificent His announcement in another column or "Blue Beard, as his great holiday attraction, will revive the interest which the opening nights of the Hippodrome evoked For colossal processions, colossal beauties, colossal but esques, a colossal castle rising out of the ground, colossal jokes and clowns, Mr. Barnum still remains u approachable.

OPENING OF THE SCRIBBLERS' CLUB.

The Scribblers' Club, an organization com posed, as one of the members quaintly says, of these who earn their livelihood by the upper part of the brain held its first meeting on Saturday evening, at the quar-ters selected for it on Thirteenth-st. The newly chosen President, Joseph Howard, jr., took the chair, and made a speech of some length on the opening for such a club, and what might be made of it. After the business meeting the club sat down to supper. At the table speeches were made by Oakey Hall, and Messrs. Bentley, Caleb Dunn, Chas. J. Smith, Robt. Van Wyck, Lendrum, Herbert R. Chas. J. Smith, Robt. Van Wyck, Lendrum, Herbert R. Mooney, Hemming, Harry Leslle, "Jack Harkaway," Scholleid, Kingsley. Avery, Abrahams, McLeilan, Dugdale, J. H. Willcox, and others. Recitations, dramatic insitations, &c., occupied the time until a late hour. Letters of regret from the Governor and Mayor-elect, and from ethers, were read, and the general sentiment among those present was that the club started under favorable auspices.

NOVEL IMPROVEMENT IN MUSICAL INSTRU-

MENTS. M. J. Paillard & Co. of No. 680 Broadway, who have heretofore been the heaviest importers of musical boxes in the United States, have been introducing important patented improvements in the manufacture of these boxes, which bring them to a degree of perfection before unknown and unsurpassed. The confusion of notes, which has hitherto seemed inevitable, has been wholly avoided, and the times are executed with a preavoided, and the times are executed with a pre-cession and grace which one not familiar with the progress that has been made would regard as incredible. Among their stock are musical boxes, embracing harp, cymbals, drum, and half a dezen other musical instrumments, playing 30 or 40 tanes, and costing a trifle of \$3,000. From those figures they have boxes ranging at the way down to \$10, but it is in the finer ones that their improvements are particularly seen.

years these were luxuries imported from the years these were luxuries imported from the extravagant shops of European makers, and only to be indulged in by the wealthy. But American inventive skill and facility in the use of machinery for work done el-ewhere by hand, have changed all that. The Ramingtons now make a breeouloading snot gun for \$15, which for all practical purposes is equal to the average imported gun of double or trebit the price. It is simple, compact, not likely to get out of order, and safe; and it shoots well.

POSTSCRIPT.

3:30 A. M.

LATEST FOREIGN NEWS.

CASE OF COUNT VON ARNIM. REMARKS OF THE PRESIDING JUDGE-APPEALS TO BE MADE. BERLIN, Dec. 20, 1874.

In the closing proceedings of the Arnim trial vesterday, the Presiding Judge, Herr Reich, in his summing up, said it was impossible to impugn Count von Arnim's good faith in his statements relative to the retention of the documents of the second class. As no positive act was committed, these documents must be dismissed from the debate. The same remark applies to the documents of the third class. The accused was not to be blamed for the publication of the paragraph in the Echo de Parlément. Nothing had been proved against him as author of the revelations in the Vienna Presse, as Landsberg and Hauser refused to testify. Bossart's evidence proved the truth of Arnim's denial of the authorship of the article in the Spener'sone Zeitung. The charges of the prisoner's want of credibility were therefore untenable. In regard to the politico-ecclesiastical dispatches of the arst-class, the accused could not be held to be guilty of embezlement, but he had committed a criminal fault, as, according to his own admission, he removed them from the Embassy at Paris to Berlin.

This he says he did because he thought the docu ments were so important that it was necessary he should deliver them personally to the Foreign Office. Nevertheless he remained in Berlin nearly a moath without doing so. The plea of forgetfulness urged by the defense cannot be maintained; for the Count knowingly conveyed the documents in question to Carlsbad. The accused is thus convicted of an offense against public order in purposely making away with 13 State papers. The position of the defendant and the importance of the documents aggravated the offense, which, however, was mitigated by their subsequen-

The sentence of Count von Arnim, in addition to the term of imprisonment, requires payment of the costs. The Count is permitted to retain his official dignities, with the title of "Excellency." He will go to Italy immediately on the expiration of his term of imprisonment for the restoration of his LONDON, Monday, Dec. 21, 1874.

A special dispatch to The Daily News from Berlin states that both the prosecution and the defense have appealed to the Kammergericht from the sentence of Count von Arnim. The case will come up in the higher court in about three months.

FRENCH POLITICS. PROSECUTION OF BONAPARTISTS ABANDONED-PROS

PECI OF A DISSOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY. PARIS, Dec. 20, 1874.

The prosecution against the Bonapartist Committee of Appeal to the People has been abar by the Government. LONDON, Monday, Dec. 21-5:30 a. m

The Times's correspondent at Paris telegraphs that the division of parties in consequence of the vote in the Committee of Tairty on the 16th of December has proddeed a dead lock, which will certainly cause the dissolution of the Assembly when the vote on the Constitutional bill is taken, immediately after recess.

THE CARLIST WAR. A REPUBLICAN GENERAL DEFEATED.

LONDON, Dec. 21, 1874.

The Morning Standard has a dispatch from Spain reporting the total defeat and routing of the Re-publican Gen. Lope's Dominguez in Catalonia, by the Carlists under Tristany, with heavy loss of killed and wounded.

FOREIGN NOTES.

LONDON, Dec. 20 .- The salvage on the French s'camship Amérique has been reduced on appeal to

ROME, Dec. 20.-The Chamber of Deputies has passed the bill granting an annuit, to Garibaldi by QUEENSTOWN, Dec. 20.-The Inman steamship

City of London, which sailed from Queenstown Dec. 11, returned to-day disabled. Her mails will be transferred to the steamsaip Caon for New York.

THE CHARLEY ROSS MYSTERY.

CLEW TO THE MISSING CHILD OBTAINED-THE POLICE OF THE OPINION THAT HE IS STILL LIV-ING-REASONS FOR THE BELIEF-THE INFORMA-TION WITHHELD BUT OF AN UNMISTAKABLE

CHARACTER. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20.—The Public Ledger of Mon-

lay will contain the following:
It is generally known that on Monday last, immediately after the receipt of the news of the killing of Mosler and Douglass in the Bay Ridge burglary, Capt. Heins, Chief of the detective force of this city, went to New-York, accom-panied by private citizens, for the purpose of panied by private citizens, for the purpose of learning everything possible as to the identity of the burglars with the abductors. After the identification was completed they, in company with Mr. Francis D. Lewis, a detective employed by, Mr. Ross, engaged in cooperation with Mr. Walling, the Superintendent of the New-York Police Department, in an effort to get some new clew to the whereabouts of the stolen child. The result of this has already been published. They, however, in the course of the searching inquiries made in New-York during the last week obtained circumstantial information confirming the dying statement of Douglass that the child, contrary to the very popular belief on the sublect, is still living. This information was given direct, and in an unmistakable form, to one of the Philadelphia party, and by him to the police authorities, who were close at hand, but it cannot be published in as specific a form as he got it, because that might defeat the expectation of getting any further information from the same source. The following, however, will give some idea of some of the facts that confirm the belief of the police departments of the two cities, that no

harm has come to Charley Ross: The abductors had always adhered stubbornly to one plan, that is, they demanded that the \$20,000 ransom should be paid to them; that they should then have som margin of time to examine the money and see that it was not marked and to get away to some distance; and that for these purposes they must have the money from five to ten hours before the child was handed over, the boy being held for that time as a kind of hostage for the good faith of his friends. This plan the abductors stuck to from first to last. On the other hand, the police departments and those who represented the family and the citizens' reward fund were as resolute that no such plan should be carried out; that they would make every possible effort to recover the child and make his recovery possible effort to recover the china and mass assectors the means of capturing the brigands, and that there should be no compromise of the matter that would enable the thieves to get the money and then make their escape. Thus there was a struggie myolving endurance and determination on both sides, the thieves expecting to wear out the patience of the suffering family and the resolution of the police, and the latter being determined to wear out the resources and purpose of the infeves. After a struggle of five months it became manifest to the abductors at the close of November that they were buffled and beaten in the plan they had stubbornly held to for so long a time and that they would have to adopt some other. They had become very hard pushed for the means of hving, and this doubtless compelled them to take the risk of the burglary at Bay Ridge. They had finally come to the conclusion to abandon their first plan, and on the night before they were killed at Bay Ridge they were considering another that they had partly worked out for renewing the negotiations on the basis of a simultaneous exchange of the child for the money. The covicus deduction from this is that the child must have been alive at that time, Saturday, Dec. 12, or close the abductors would have had no necessity for considering any canne of plans, and especially a change that would require the the means of capturing the brigands, and that there FOR SPORTSMEN.

For a hearty young fellow who has some chance to get occasionally a day for amusement, there can be no more gratifying Christm's present than a double-parceled breech-loading shot gun. Until of lata

THE WESTERN SUFFERERS.

THE DOLLAR FUND. ANOTHER EXAMPLE FOR EMPLGYES.

To the Editor of The Tribune. SIR: Inclosed please find check for \$15, to be used for the relief of Kansas or Nebraska sufferers, as you may doem best, from the employés of the

STANLEY RULE AND LEVEL COMPANY.

New-Britain, Conn., Dec. 19, 1874. LITTLE ARTHUR'S GIFT.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sin: Inclosed you will find fifty cents for the Nebraska sufferers, which I give for my little boy Arthur. A CONSTANT READER OF THE TRIBUNE, New York, Dec. 19, 1874.

THE DUBOIS ALL READ THE TRIBUNE. To the Editor of The Iribune.

SIR: I wish to send through you \$5 to the Nebraska sufferers from myself, wife, and three children. I see by to-day's TRIBUNE you have some Ulster County DuBois names, so I'll try and get some Columbia County members of the family to subscribe. All of that name read THE TRIBUNE, so far as heard from. Yours rejoicingly, Hudson, N. Y., Dec. 18, 1874. JOHN C. DUBOIS.

A CASE OF NECESSITY.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sin: I entirely agree with the man who has 850 lb pork packed down, and with the "Grasshopper" in the necessities of the stricken Kansas and Nebraska people. Please find \$10 for their benefit. COHOES. Cohocs, N. Y., Dec. 19, 1874.

A HANDSOME CONTEINUTION. To the Editor of The Tribune.

SIR: We inclose you our check for \$111, being a subscription from ourseives and employes for the Kansas and Nebraska sufferers. Yours truly, LINDENMEYR & BROTHER,

Paper Warehouse, Nos. 15 and 17 Beckman-st., New York,

THE SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST. To the Editor of The Tribune.
Six: Inclosed find St for the "survival of the fittest" in the conflict with grasshoppers.

Elizabeth, N. J., Dec. 18, 1874.

ANOTHER CONTRIBUTION WORTHY OF IMITATION. To the Editor of The Tribune. Six: Please find inclosed our check for fifty dollars (\$50), which add to the fund for relief of Kansas and Nebraska sufferers and oblige yours respect-

fully. BARTLETT, RUED & C

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BURGLARS ARRESTED. Robert Sewell's house at No. 68 West Fortyfith-st. was entered by burgiars on Wednesday night last and about \$750 worth of property was taken. Early yesterday morning Capt. McDonnell of the Prince-st. Police, with Detectives Terwilliger and Marphy, while searching for the authors of another robbery, visited Charles Manning, alias "Mose," alias Cornelius, a colored man, at No. 66 Sullivan-st., and in conversation with him he dropped a few words that called Capt. McDonnell's attention to the Sewell burglary. Manning was taken to the Prince-st. Police Station, and property afterward identified by Mr. Sewell was found in his house. Then the officers followed up the clew that they had gained, and last night they had completed the case had gained, and last night they had completed the case and recovered all the stolen property. Henry Williams of No. 210 West Twenty-eighth-st. was arrested on a charge of being one of the burglars who entered Mr. Sewell's house; and the third man, called "Yallar," was ascertained to be locked up in the Twenty-ninth Precinct Police Station, on a charge of being concerned in a silver-plate robory in that district. Capt. McDonnell learned that a greater part of the stolen property had been pawared for \$125. He recovered a gold watch and could, a scalakin sack and polonaise, a velvet dress and some lace, and a nue table cover. He has the pawn tickets for the other watch and the rest of the property that was pawned.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

HAVANA MARKETS.

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HAVANA Dec. 10.—Sagar nominal: stock in warehouse at Havana and Matauras, 30,000 boxes and 2,000 blake; receipts of the week, 2000 boxes and 12 hads, expected during the week, 7,000 boxes and 711 hids, melnding 6,000 boxes and at the blue, to the United States, Molasses nominos, Baron, 838,8510 ct. ext. Lard, in keys, 844,2544,500 P quintal: In the \$10,500,5447,500 P quintal. Tallow—\$25,6500 P quintal. Onions—\$0.500,577 bl. Naval Stores in fair densired. Coal Oil, in this, 60,007 reals of gail. Supply hogsheads, 887,55. Lamber—White Prine, \$6,000 to 9,77 bl. Prine Prine, \$6,000 to \$6,77 Hoops—long shared, \$100,000 to 9 M. Frights—For box of Sugar londing as Havana for the United States, 78c; P hids, of Sugar long parts on the North Costs for United States, \$4. Spenish gold, 210,002,00, American, 223,002,00 formular, on London, 140,0143 premium.

PRINT CLOTHS MARKET. Passymence, Dec. 13 - The markets for Printing Clothe during the week has been quiet, with better business; prices have settled down to 5 's \$5'4. for branded and Extra \$4.54, also in the week, 45.250

Curcago, Dec. 20.—Secupts for the work—Cattle, 11.549 Hegr., 135,250; Sheep, 14.202; same time last year—Cattle, 8.1.2; Higg. 152,000; Sheep, 14.202; same time last year—Cattle, 8.1.2; Higg. 152,000; Sheep, 14.202; rame time last year—Cattle, 11.540; Higg. Address. THE TRIB

Good, with rards well clears, of all desirable stock; Extra Curisimas Beeve, \$7.085; Medium to 3, in Steen \$4.50785; Good, \$5.1256, \$5.90; Concee, \$5.756.86; Pa. trs. \$6.256.86, 75; stock cattle in good demand. at \$2.50785; 70. Stocker. Cattle from at \$2.500.86; \$6.90; Through Texans, \$1.75786, 75; Cornede \$3.50.85; \$6.90; Through Texans, \$1.75786, 75; Cornede \$3.50.85; \$6.90; Through Texans, \$1.75786, 75; Cornede \$3.50.85; \$6.90; Through Texans, \$1.75786, 75; Cornede \$3.70.85; \$6.90; Through Texans, \$1.75786, 75; Cornede \$3.70.85; \$6.90; \$7.90; \$6.90; \$7.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED. PROM SAVANNAH—In steamenty Herman Lichayston, Doc. 20.5
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LATEST SHIP NEWS.

[For other Shin News see Fifth Page.]

PROVIDENCE, B. I. Dec. 20—The selr. May S. Sames, ashore's Dutch Lainet, was pulled off by a ug without decome, yesterner, three have blaced two chains under the other Robert Peties sum near D. John Lainet. Her boot was found at her shore. Savanyan, Dec. 20—Arts ed. steamskipflen. Barnes, from New-York. Sailet, text Lenten, for Liverpool. Galvingov, Dec. 20—Arts ed., six Nort, from Liverpool. Cleaned, Sarks Cremons, Mailds, and Athlete, for Liverpool. Sailet, steemship Click for New York.

New York.
PHILADRIPHIA. Dec. 20.—Arriv M, back Catherina Hofman, London via Tybes.

The Tybes.

FOREIGN FORTS.

FPLYMOUTH Dec. 20.—The Hambing American Line steemship Hossits, Barends from New York Dec. 10; for Hambing arrived to day, ANTHORN, Dec. 20.—The Early Line Steemship Sederant, James from Philadelphia Dec. 5, hes arrived.
Lowbown Dec. 10.—Salled for the United States: Drawn Hambing Westerland, Salo Edward and Cristics. Agrees out to 19th in state Zancia, Lennie, Regins, and Compil Places. DEMANTERS.

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Bargains in Pine Purs ... Seal-skin fors a specialty. Bunus, fann'acturer, 214 Broadway, Park Back Building.

Thousands of Ruptured ones have been personally mained by the horrible metal springs, nower pals, and wire springs. Mathine the conformale Blastic Thosa 6.53 Broadway, as the curst.

MARRIED.

LEWIS-COX-On Thursday, Dec. 17, 1874, by the Rev. A. B. Hark, Robert Lewis to Maria, doughter of the late Wim. Cox. WARDWELL-ST, JOHN-AX New Hamburgh, S. Y., Dac. 17, 1874, by Nev. Mr., Saterice, Heart L. Wardwell of Genera, N. Y., to Florence St. John of New-Hamburgh.

All Notices of Marriages must be indorsed with full same and address.

DIED. COGGESHALL—On the 18th last. Alles, daughter of George D. and Deborah Coggesial, ared 33 years. Funcari on Monday, 21st last. at 3 o'clock, from the residence at her nucle Girs H. Coggeshall, Heometical, N. J., to which her friends are respectfully invited without further notice. Trum leaves Barray and Christopheras forms at 2 p. no., return train leaves Barray and

DEANE-On Sunday, Dec. 29, of disease of the heart, Jennie, youngest child of George B. (j.,) and Jeanie Deane, aged 1 year, 11 mouth, and child of George B. (j.,) and Jennie Deans, ago, 19 days.
19 days.
The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully favited to attend the tameral from the resistance of her parents, No. 781 Greenwich-st., on Thesiay, Dec. 22, at 1 o'clock p. See See Thirty-entitlest.

on Theory, 196, 72, at 1 stores p. m.

RID-RID-Rib-Robert at his residence, No. 8 Rest Thirty-extitut, on
Friday morning, 18th lines, Thomas P. Elithière,
Relatives and friends are invited to attend his tuneral from the Briek
Church, course Eitheure, and Thirty-extendent, on Tucsley, the 124
lines, at 10 o'clock a. m., without turther notice.

Browleader and Roccessor, N. L., and Lee and North Adams, Mess., papers please copy.

FALCONAR-In Brookley, N. Y., on Sunday, Dec. 20, 1874, R. Jose phine Guiterez, wife of Edward W. Falconar.
Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral
at 144 Willowsi, on Tuesday, 223 inst, at 11 o'clock a. m.

at 14 Wildowst, on tuesday, 222 lant, at 14 Wildowst, as as. Ballimore papers please copt.
FINLEY-On Sunday, Dec. 20, Margert Finley.
Relatives and frigude of her nephers, Mr. R. Ferenson, and niceos. are respectfully invited to strend her funeral from her late residence, 522 Ninth-res, on Tuesday, Dec. 22, at 2 p. m.
Glagner, Scotland, papers prome copy. 522 Ninth-re., on Parsiar, Dr. 22, at 2 p. 18. Glaspos, Scotland, papers prome cupr. FRANKS-Josish I. Franks, on 17th December, in the Sist year of his

age. Relatives and friends are invited to attend funeral as the Reformed Church, Responsive, Jersey City Hights, on Monday, Dec. 17, at 3 o'clock by in. GOODHUK-On Frider, the 18th last, at his faughter's residence,

Fineral services in Brazilenoro on Thesday, the 22d last. GOODWIN -Suddenly, on Sandry morning, Dec. 20, Thomas Goodwin accd 75 years.

Notice of inneral hereafter.

HOLDROOK—On the 18 b lust, at her home, Morristows, N. J.,
Mrs. Nancy Holbrook of New York, in her Sid year.

Fanced services at St. Peter's Charge, Morristows, 1 p. m., Monday. 21st inst.

21st nat.

RIDE-tra Sandar, Dec. 20, and entr. Harold N., only child of B.
Frace and Marie L. Ride, aged 6 months and 6 days.

Relatives and friends of the famile are invited to attend the funeral
services at the residence of his grandfather, Albert N. Brown, No. 146

Madron-ave., on Tuesday, Dec. 22, s. 10 a. m., without furthers LAPAUGH-Henry D. Lapaurb, Dec. 19, at Pleasantville.

LOCKIK—At Fushing, L. L. on Tourstay evening, Dec. 17, in the 74th year of his say, John Leckie, a native of Kothergushire, Scot-fand, formerly a realisat of Catastii, N. Y. Faheria at Catastii on Teeslay, Dec. 22. Catastill papers please copy. McMULLEN-In Brooklyn, suidenly, on Sunday, Dec. 20, Louise, second diageter of Lewis and Alechia Augusta McMullen.
Notice of funeral here-fier.

Special Notices

Ladies' Union Relief Association .- Col. WILLIS will be present TO-NIOHI, and the ANA-RESON GLER CLUB is us As the ladies have many things mostle, they have archest to CONTINUE THE FAIR UNTIL THE EVENING OF TUESDAY, 221 inst.

Hollday Presents.

All who wish to make a "MERRY CHRISTMAS" for lady, gentleman, or child can nowhere better provide themselves with a suitable and economical HOLIDAY GIFT than at the great popular establishment of RHRICH & Co., 287, 289 and 293 Eiguth-ave., between Twenty

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Christmas Appeal for Poor Children.

CHRISTMAS MORNING until 10:30 a. m.

The winter winds and hitter cold mights should remint all who are happy and well of the thousands of poor and homeless obligen in the great city, who shirer in leagy attor, or wanter tagged and hardosted through the rance and main of street, or sleep at night in home and barees, hunger, houseless and friendless.

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to the dark lives of these it the ones, in memory of ONE who has The gental and kind CHRISTMAS season ought to bring a bright day to the dark lives of these little ones, in memory of ONE who has brought so much hope and hap increas to the word.

The CHRIDHEN'S AID SOCHETY holds itself as the expecial guardian and triend of the street children and poor children of New Jerk. It would gidnly, if means are sent, offer during Christmas time a good dinner or teatival to the thousands of hungry boys and girls under the charge, in the Boys' and Girls' Ledingschouses and industrial actions. It would give thousands of pirs of shoes and warm garmints to the half-clad adversing atthe ones when the delicts or teaches.

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Who will help to lightlon the the children of the poor.

Children's Aid Society. 19 Kast Fourinest, New York,
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WM. A. BOOTH, Pre-ulent.

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L. L. BRACH, Secretary,
Children's Aid Society, 19 hast Fearth-al., New York.

WOPK OF THE YEAR.

These were during the per very in our five Ladgiur-houses 13.844, different beyr and griss 134.506 lodgiures, and 203,500 meals serve appoint to the 21 bay and it. hereang industrial schools were 10.288 children, who were taught, clothed, and partly led (431,202, masks wear parasished); 3955 were sent to good house, mainly in the vert. Total number unner charge of the Society during the reserve 17.116. There have been 0.478 orphans in the Lodging-houses, and 1,527 were provided with house.

The Second Edition of The Tribune Extra No. 25, containing Mr. Gladstone's pamoblet on the Vatican Decrees, is now ready, the first having been exhausted several days since. The Taka une clition is the cheapest and by far the most complete published, and contains much interesting matter hearing on this important controvers which is nowhere else available. Extra No. 25, in Paimonn abeet form, will be sent postpaid to sor address in the United States on re-

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